



## Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program

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### TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau's (HAB) Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program includes a technical assistance (TA) and training component to support the work of Program constituents, including grantees, providers, planning bodies, and consumers. Activities include provision of TA tools and documents, on-site and distance-based consultations, expert meetings, webcasts, webinars, frequently asked questions, and specialized TA centers.

TA and training are provided through the following methods:

- ▶ The Technical Assistance Resources, Guidance, Education, and Training (TARGET) Center website ([www.careacttarget.org](http://www.careacttarget.org)), which provides centralized, Web-based access to all HIV/AIDS Bureau TA resources and facilitates networking among Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts. The TARGET Center comprises a telephone help desk, a library of Program and grantee-developed TA tools, a TA calendar of upcoming events and trainings, and Web links to all grantees.

THE RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM WORKS WITH CITIES, STATES, AND LOCAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO AN ESTIMATED 536,000 PEOPLE EACH YEAR WHO DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT HEALTH CARE COVERAGE OR FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO COPE WITH HIV DISEASE. THE MAJORITY OF RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM FUNDS SUPPORT PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE AND ESSENTIAL SUPPORT SERVICES. A SMALLER BUT EQUALLY CRITICAL PORTION IS USED TO FUND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, CLINICAL TRAINING, AND RESEARCH ON INNOVATIVE MODELS OF CARE. THE RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM, FIRST AUTHORIZED IN 1990, IS CURRENTLY FUNDED AT \$2.32 BILLION.

### Technical Assistance Program Activities

- ▶ Provision of TA tools and documents
- ▶ On-site and distance-based consultations
- ▶ Expert meetings
- ▶ Webcasts
- ▶ Webinars
- ▶ Frequently asked questions
- ▶ Specialized TA centers

- ▶ Individualized and on-site peer and expert consultation through a national HIV/AIDS Technical Assistance and Site Visit Task Order. The Technical Assistance Task Order also coordinates consultative meetings, site visits, and conference calls.
- ▶ The Integrating HIV Innovative Practices (IHIP) project, funded by the Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Program, which assists grantees in replicating successful SPNS to strengthen their capacity to deliver new methods of evidence-based HIV care.

This publication lists a non-federal resource to provide additional information. The views and content in those resources have not been formally approved by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Listing of the resources is not an endorsement by HHS or its components.

- ▶ An array of cooperative agreements with national organizations to deliver TA on specific topics through local and regional workshops, webcasts, Web-based learning modules, conference calls, on-site trainings, and technical publications and curricula.

TA is provided in areas related to the legislative mandates and programmatic requirements of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program legislation. Critical topic areas include the following:

- ▶ Access to care.
- ▶ Affordable Care Act.
- ▶ AIDS Drug Assistance Program.
- ▶ Clinical care.
- ▶ Clinical program development.
- ▶ Consumer development and training.
- ▶ Cultural competency.
- ▶ Data collection and programmatic reporting (including client-level data).
- ▶ Engagement in care: recruitment and retention.
- ▶ Fiscal and program management.
- ▶ Medical case management.
- ▶ Needs assessment.
- ▶ Patient-centered medical home TA.
- ▶ Patient flow evaluation.

- ▶ Pediatric and perinatal guidelines facilitation.
- ▶ Peer-to-peer TA or training.
- ▶ Planning body operations.
- ▶ Program and capacity development.
- ▶ Quality.
- ▶ Stigma.
- ▶ Strategic planning.
- ▶ Training peers to serve in health care teams.
- ▶ Unit cost analysis.
- ▶ Unmet needs.
- ▶ Working with consumers to help address unmet needs by engaging others in care.

The HIV/AIDS Bureau currently has three cooperative agreements providing technical assistance to grantees regarding the Affordable Care Act on the following topics:

- ▶ Supporting the Continuum of Care: Building Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Grantee Capacity to Enroll Eligible Clients in Affordable Care Act Health Coverage Programs
- ▶ Engaging in Marketplace Insurance Plans under the Affordable Care Act
- ▶ Establishing AIDS Service Organization Service Models

To access TA tools and resources for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program community, visit the TARGET Center website at <https://careacttarget.org>.



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